

## LUTHERAN THEOLOGICAL SEMINARY AND WATERLOO COLLEGE

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Christmas, 1921.

Dear Mother:-

We have had a glorious Christmas day: the ground was covered white with snow, the sun was bright and cheery and the weather was cold enough to make the blood tingle and to keep from melting the little snow we had. Within was everything that makes for comfort and good cheer, the children happy over their gifts and over the beautiful Christmas tree, and everybody satisfied over the Christmas dinner consisting of goose and cranberry sauce and the usual accompaniments. The children received many presents, thanks to your and their grand-father's generosity, while Bonnie and I were not neglected, and the day was pronounced a grand success. Our domestic festivities began last evening when we had our Christmas tree. The children led by Eileen marched in in procession singing "Come hither ye faithful." I read the Scripture Lesson and the Collect for Christmas eve, and the children from Coralus to Eileen inclusive each in succession mounted a box which they had set for a stage and recited a Christmas piece. It was too cute for anything. Eileen, who led the procession which began in the kitchen and went through the hallway and parlor into the dining room, when she got into the parlor led them round and round the parlor table till they had sung two or three verses of "Hesst Fiddis" before they finally got her headed toward the dining room. They received for the most part good and substantial presents. I can't begin to tell you all of them, but Coralus received a Kodak and developing outfit, Marion a handsome tea set of good size and quality, Herman a pair of Hockey shoes, Arthur a New Testament and Harmonica, Robert an automobile that runs by friction, Eileen a doll and a purse with three cents in it and Ruth dolls and rattle.